

THE
Lawyers Clarke
TRAPPAND by the
CRAFTY VVHORE
OF
CANTERBURY.

O R,
A true Relation of the whole Life
of *Mary Manders* the Daughter of *Thomas Manders*
a Fidler in *CANTERBURY*.

Wherein is discovered,

1. *How she married a Fidler at Dover, and a Shoe-maker at the City of Canterbury.*
2. *How she cheated a Vintner of 60. pound, and was committed to Newgate.*
3. *How she cheated a French Marchant of Rings, Jewels and other Rich Commodities last March.*
4. *How she picks a Kentish Lords Pocket, at Graves-end, of his Watch and Money.*
5. *How she made her escape, when sold and ship'd for the Barbadoes.*
6. *How she came to London to the Exchange Tavern, naming her self Henretta Maria de Vulva the Daughter of a great Prince in Germany, and married a Lawyers Clark on Easter-day last.*
7. *How she was discovered by a Shoe-maker, and carryed before a Justice, who Committed her to the Gate-house, All her rich Jewels (which were valued at three thousand pound) being broke and found Counterfeits.*

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 Out-witted.

OR,
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 City of *CANTERBURY*.

TO tell you all the pranks performed by this piece of impudence, were too much to be contained in one sheet ; but I shall give you an epitome of her Life and actions as follows, viz.

Her birth and education was in *Canterbury*. her parents mean people, her own Father being a Fidler, named *Thomas Manders*.

Her Father in Law is by name Mr. *Peord*, and is also of the same profession. but keeps an Inn in *Canterbury*. She was formerly for a cheat committed to *Newgate*, where she had

a homely black jade attended her as a Maid servant, the fact she then committed was thus. She coming to *London* with her maid waiting on her, pretended to be a Lady of a great estate, and that she had store of money coming up by the Carrier, which her made so cunningly averr'd, that for Wine and other dainties she ran threescore pound in the Vintners debt, for which she was committed, and being at liberty she followed picking of pockets, whoreing and thieving; this was the life of this gallant Lady.

She also was well provided for Husbands having one a *Fiddler* at *Dover*, the other a *Shoe maker* living in the City of *Canterbury*.

About two Months since, coming to *London*, she fell into the company of a *French* Merchant, to whom she declared the greatness of her Birth and Parentage, and of the great estate she should receive from the Lord her father.

This declaration of her Ladyship seconded by her waiting, maid, took so much with Mounfier that he furnished her fingers with gold Rings, cloths and necessaries to a great value, and expecting the coming of her riches married her, but at last discovering he was cheated, he appointed her to go to *Deale* to a vessel he named (intending to sell her, and send her to the *Barbadoes*) she went on her journey, he promising to come after her and to go with her.

In her journey coming to *Gravesend*, she went to an Inn, where a *Kentish* Lord was drinking, who inquiring what she was, by her deportment supposed her to be some great Lady, which she sufficiently made out, so that he kindly welcomed her in his company; but afterwards repented his bargain and would have given 5 pound to any one that should give him notice where she was; for when she was gone he found that she had taken his Watch and money to bear her company in her journey.

From thence she came next to *Canterbury* and perswaded her sister *Joane Mauders* to attend her as her maid to the Ship, which to credit her sister she willingly performed; but when she came aboard, and understood the Vessel was bound for

for the *Barbadoes*, she sent to *Dover* Castle to the Fidler her Husband, who was a Soldier there, and desired him to fetch her off.

Her Husband hearing of her riches in Rings and Jewels embraced that opportunity, and went with a File of Soldiers to demand her (intending to get the riches and be divorced from her) but was denyed her by the owner of the Ship.

Hereupon he went back, got a Note from the Castle, and came againe to demand her; they not daeing to deny the writing, stript of her rich Cloaths, and took away her rings and Jewels and turn'd her and her Sister ashore, so that the poor man her Husband was not a penny the better, but yet gave her no entertainment, so that she and *Jane* were forced in a poor Condition to return to *Canterbury*.

Now to come to this last and grand cheat; after she had a little recruited her self, and was in some handsome apparel, she came to *London*, and took her lodging at the Exchange Tave'n near the Stocks, where she met with a Lawyer Clark who she so sweetned on, that he soon became a suiter to her, she telling him of her Birth and Parentage.

First she acquainted him that her name was *Henretta Maria Devulva*, Daughter to a great Prince in *Germany*, and that when she was two years old, she was put in a *Nunnery*, where she remained till now that she made her happy escape, where she had left as many Cloaths as was worth 3000 pound.

Thence she came to her own Country in *Germany*, and some of the Princes there would have perswaded her to marry an Old Man, which she would not do, lest her Estate (if she dyed without Issue) should go to the *Nunnery*; from whence (to prevent all danger) she came over into this Country, and had in her keeping as many Jewels as were judg'd by a Gold-Smith (whom they sent for) to be worth three thousand pound.

She also told him, that she had a Coach and six Flanders Mares coming over, with store of Money, her Estate being

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ten or twelve thousand pounds *per annum*; and the better to carry on her design, she said she had a Steward in *Germany* to whom she fram'd a Letter which was sent by the Post, and an answer return'd to this effect, *viz*

Madam, The money you sent for is not yet ready, but I have gathered three thousand pound which shall come by the next Ship, and also your Coach and six Horses with it, which made the story so plain, as many wile heads (besides the fresh-water Lad) beleived it to be truth.

Hereupon his freinds made up the march, and upon *Easter* day their Nuptial was solemnized of this young Lord and Lady; for which purpose a Gown was bought her of fifty five pound besides other Necessaries, the young Lord having his Lackey to wait on him, all things being performed in a noble manner, to the admiration of all his old acquaintance.

The Wedding being done, they provided Coaches for their friends and went to *Barnet*, where they continued making merry till *Tuesday* following; where they spent in so high a nature as some will repent their acquaintance with this new *Germany* Lady, who spoke Dutch so exactly that she deceived many, and but little *English*. and that in such a broken manner as they could hardly understand her.

Tuesday she came back, the young Lord would have had her go to Court because she pretended to have great friends there, but she refused that proposition till her own Coach and Horses came.

Her deportment was very noble, and her heart open, for passing by New-gate (the old Castle of her safety) she gave her Lackey half a Crown to put in the Prisoners bag.

Since this, one Clark a Porter (who plyes at *Warwick-Lane-end*) carryed her a Letter, with which she gave order he should come up to her bed-Chamber, where she askt what he would have for the Letter, he desired eight pence, she told him that was too little, and gave him a shilling, and askt him to drink her Lords health, which he accepted of, upon which she call'd for a bottle of Sack, and after he had
drank

drank that, made him drink her health till the bottle was out, and the poor Porter went reeling home.

The Nuptial being past, and all things concluded, she was designed to make up her pack and begone; but a Shoemaker coming in, who had formerly wrought with her Husband in *Canterbury*, seeing her, said to some of the House she was a Whore, they replied he had best have a care what he said, for she was a person of Honour. but he still persisted and said she was a Whore, and hee'd prove her a Whore, with which being brought to the room, he look'd in her face and said she was the same person he took her for, and that he wrought with her Husband who was a Shoemaker in *Canterbury*, and that she had another a Fidler, who is a Souldier in *Dover Castle*.

Hereupon she was carried before a Justice and examined, and her Jewels and Rings were all found Counterfet, upon which she was committed to the *Gate-House*, from whence (if her first Husband appear, she will be transported to her old quarters at *New-Gate*, and finish her course at *Paddington*. if she do not Cheat Squire *Dun* of his Right and Title, which is a just Doom for all such Impudent pieces of Iniquity.

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